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In re application of: **BAMBERGER**
 Serial No.: 10/791,404
 Filed: 03/02/2004
 For: **IRIS DIAPHRAGM DEVICE**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) with PTO-1449 (1 page) and cited references** in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
- [] Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
- No fee for additional claims is required.
- [] A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

FOR:	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	SMALL ENTITY RATE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE
	REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR			
TOTAL CLAIMS	* Minus**	=	0		x \$ 18 \$
INDEP. CLAIMS	* Minus***	=	0		x \$ 80 \$
1 FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM			+ \$135 \$		+ \$270 \$

TOTAL: \$ OR TOTAL: \$

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- Also transmitted herewith are:
 - [] Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 - Other: European Search Report for EP 04100535 & brief translation (2 pages, some double-sided)
- [] Check(s) in the amount of \$ is/are attached to cover:
 - [] Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
 - [] Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 - [] Other:
- The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
 - Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
 - Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: **Stefan BAMBERGER et al.**
Serial No.: **10/791,404** **Confirmation No.:** **2541**
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. While the references are being submitted herewith, some or all of the references may not constitute prior art under the U.S. patent laws.

The references cited on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form were cited in a German-language European Search Report, a copy of which, along with a brief English translation thereof, is submitted herewith together with copies of the foreign patent documents listed.

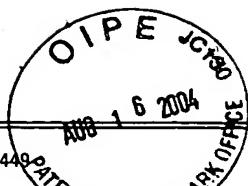
This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b), before the mailing date of a First Office Action, therefore no fee is believed due. If any additional fees are deemed to be due at this time, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER							DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB-CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	3	2	8	2	1	8	2	Nov. 1, 1966	Rentschler	95	11.5	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AJ	5	4	6	7	1	0		Mar. 16, 1932	Germany				see European Search Report
	AK	7	9	4	5	9	6		May 7, 1958	Great Britain				
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OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	AO	"Blackout Iris", Wilkes Iris web site, http://www.wilkes-iris.com/products/blackout/fs130-155.html , "model FS155BR", 1 page, July 29, 2004 (+ 2 pages XP-002285207, June 21, 2004)
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